Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please insert the following before the paragraph starting at page 1, line 11:

BACKGROUND

Please insert the following before the paragraph starting at page 2, line 14: SUMMARY

Please delete the paragraph starting at page 2, line 20: (The object with regard to the component is achieved according to the invention by means of the features of the independent claim 1...by means of the features of the independent claim 22.)

Please delete the paragraph starting at page 2, line 29: (Advantageous developments of the invention are the subject matter of the subclaims.)

Please insert the following before the paragraph starting at page 9, line 31:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Please replace the paragraph starting at page 9, line 31, with the following:

Exemplary embodiments of the invention are explained in more detail with the aid of a drawing the drawings, in which:

figures 1A [[,]] and 1B show a schematic cross section of a possible embodiment of a component having a metal base body and a plastic structure that are mechanically connected in their edge regions,

figures 2A to 2C show schematically the production sequence for producing the mechanical connection between the [[of]] metal base body and the plastic structure,

figures 3A to 4B show a schematic cross section of various embodiments of a component having different types of connections [[of]] for the metal base body and the plastic structure,

figures 5A [[,]] <u>and</u> 5B show a perspective schematic of a component having a base body with a comb-type integrally formed fixing element in the edge region, and

figures 6A to 7 show a perspective schematic of further embodiments of a component having fixing elements of various types in the edge region of the base body.

Please insert the following before the paragraph starting at page 10, line 25: DETAILED DESCRIPTION